

# April Programs

Germantown Community Library  
Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center

## Germantown Community Library 1920 Exeter Road

### **Toddler Story Time**

Tuesdays and Wednesdays

10:15 and 11:00 a.m.

Age: 1 to 3 years

Enjoy stories, music, and movement. Pre-event registration is required. Call 757-7323.

### **Preschool Story Time**

Thursdays

10:15 a.m.

Age: 3 to 5 years

Stories, songs, and fun. Pre-event registration is required. Call 757-7323.

### **Pajama Story Time**

Tuesday, April 1

7 p.m.

Age: 1 to 6

Wear your pajamas to the library for an evening of stories, poetry and April foolishness. Pre-event registration is not required.

### **Tree House Stories**

Friday, April 4 and Saturday, April 5

10:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Age: Toddlers to 5 years

Join the library staff and their Tree House friends for a rollicking good time. Pre-event registration is required and begins on Friday, March 28. Call 757-7323.

### **Germantown Book Club**

Monday, April 7

12:30 p.m.

Age: Adults

The April selection is "A Thousand Splendid Suns" by Khaled Hosseini. Please call 757-7323 for information about future book selections. Pre-registration is not required and the chosen book need not have been read to attend the program.

### **Caldecott Arts Program**

Tuesday, April 8

6:45 p.m.

Ages: 6 to 12 years, with an adult

Through a shared art experience, children and their caregivers will expand their knowledge of art while learning about the myriad of art forms found in Caldecott Award books. Awarded annually by the American Library Association, the Caldecott Medal is presented to "the artist of the most distinguished American Picture Book for Children published in the United States during the preceding year." As part of the workshop, each child and caregiver will work to create a work of art using the medium and techniques presented. This project is made possible in part through the support of the Germantown Arts Alliance.

Pre-event registration is required and begins on Tuesday, April 1. Call 757-7323 for more information or to pre-register.

### **Song Writer's Sing**

Sunday, April 13

2 to 4 p.m.

Age: Adults

Join local favorite Nancy Apple for an afternoon of urban country music at the library's L'café. 757-7323 for more information.

### **Computer Skills – Email**

Thursday, April 17

10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Age: Adults

Learn how to use e-mail to stay in touch with friends and family or to correspond with colleagues. Participants must have experience with the using a computer. Space is limited to six participants. Pre-registration is required and begins on April 10. Call 757-7323 for more information.

### **Baby and Me Stories**

Friday, April 18

10:30 a.m.

Age: 6 to 12 months, accompanied by an adult

Stories, songs and fingerplay activities for babies. Pre-event registration is required and begins April 11. Call 757-7323 for more information.

### **Database Learning – Points of View Reference Center**

Tuesday, April 22

6 p.m.

Age: 12 and up

Learn how to research controversial subjects and develop critical thinking skills when you join the reference staff for an in-depth introduction to the Points of View Reference Center database. Participants must be familiar with using the Internet. Space is limited. Pre-registration is required and begins April 15. Call 757-7323 for more information.

### **Caldecott Arts Program**

Tuesday, April 22

6:45 p.m.

Age: 6 to 12 years, with an adult

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### **Wacky Wednesday**

Wednesday, April 23

4:30 p.m.

Age: 6 to 10

Science activities for the school age crowd. Pre-event registration is required and begins on April 16. Call 757-7323 for more information.

### **Thunderous Thursday**

Thursday, April 24

10:15 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Age: 3 to 5

Welcome spring with stories, music, and a special activity. Pre-event registration is required and begins on April 17. Call 757-7323 for more information.

### **Southern Gardening Series**

Thursday, April 24

6 p.m.

Age: Adults

Master Gardener Tom Colturi will speak on “Growing Ferns Year Round.” Pre-event registration is required and begins on April 3. Call 757-7323 for more information.

### **TrashFormations – Recycled Art Competition**

Thursday, April 24

4 to 8 p.m.

Age: Kids, age 6 to 12

Teens, age 13 to 18

Adults, age 19 and over

Bring your TrashFormations to the Germantown Community Library on Thursday, April 24 between 4 and 8 p.m. for a contest sponsored by the Germantown Beautification Commission. A TrashFormation may be practical or a work of art. Use imagination to make furniture, a home or yard accessory, a hat, purse, sculpture, collage, or mobile. If it can be dreamed, it can be TrashFormed. Raw materials must be considered trash. Materials that may spoil may not be used. First, second and third prizes will be awarded at each age level and entries will be displayed at the library through May 17. For more information, please contact Rikki Boyce at 757-1373 or [rikkiboyce@comcast.net](mailto:rikkiboyce@comcast.net).

### **Anime Club Meeting**

Monday, April 28

7 to 7:30 p.m. - Anime Workshop

7:30 to 8:30 p.m. – Club Meeting

Age: 12 to 18

Fans of anime and manga are invited to a short workshop by David Hirschfield of Bits, Bytes, and Bots on making an anime film. Learn about timelines, bones and layers; then apply what

you've learned. A shortened version of the usual meeting, including a film and snacks, will follow the workshop. Call 757-7323 beginning April 21 to pre-register.

## **Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center 7779 Poplar Pike**

### **Second Thursday Programs**

Thursday, April 10

7 p.m.

Age: Adults

Please join us at the Germantown Regional History and Genealogy Center, 7779 Poplar Pike, as Dr. John Harkins, president of the West Tennessee Historical Society, discusses the role Shelby County played during the Civil War and his new book *Historic Shelby County*. Call 757-8480 for more information.

### **Our Trees, Your Trees – “The MURKIN Files”**

Sunday, April 20

3 p.m.

Age: Adults

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the tragic assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr. Vince Hughes will guide us through his collection of original documents relating to the investigation of this event and describe, step by step, the process that led to the capture of James Earl Ray. Having been a part of the event in 1968, Vince is prepared to answer your questions on what happened that April evening. Call 757-8480 for more information.

### **Civil War Buffs**

Saturday, April 26

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Age: All

Join us at the GRHGC for an event of special interest to Civil War buffs. Author Bryce Chandler will sign his new book “A Courier for Stonewall,” a choose-your-own-adventure story for ages 9-14. He will wear period clothes, play his homemade drum and fife, and share information about the period. Rick Cohen, a member of the Tennessee Genealogical Society, will wear an authentic reproduction of a Confederate uniform. He will display weapons and artifacts of the Civil War period and tell about a day in the life of a Confederate soldier. Call 757-8480 for more information.